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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, Sir. The Minister concerned visited certain villages in that firka and knows the pitiable condition in which the people are living there and the people also represented that the hon. Member representing the constituency never turned up there. All steps are being taken.

SRI M. SELVARAJ : கனம் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் சொன்ன பதிலில் கனம் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் சுற்றுப்பிரயாணம் செய்யும் போது அந்தத் தொகுதியைச் சேர்ந்த அங்கத்தினர் அந்த இடத்தில் இல்லை என்பதை சொன்னார்கள். ஆனால் இந்த நோயைப்பற்றி அங்கிருக்கின்ற மக்கள் விண்ணப்பம் கொடுத்திருக்கின்றார்களா ? அதன் பேரில் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : பொது மக்கள் ஒவ்வொரு கிராமத்திலும் சொன்னார்கள்.

Primary Health Centre for Oddanchatram.

* 2008 *Q.*—SRI V. SUBBIAH : கனம் ரெவின்யூ அமைச்சர் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

மூன்றாவது ஐந்தாண்டு திட்டத்தில் மதுரை ஜில்லா ஒட்டன் சத்திரத்தில் பிரைமரி ஹெல்த் சென்டர் ஆரம்பிக்க திட்டமுண்டா ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : No, Sir.

SRI V. SUBBIAH : ஒட்டன் சத்திரத்தில் உள்ள மக்கள் மிகவும் பிற்போக்கான நிலையிலிருப்பதால் அந்த இடத்திற்கு ஹெல்த் சென்டர் உடனடியாக தேவைப்படுகிறது. இங்கே உடனடியாக அமைப்பதற்கு நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்படுமா ? இம் மாதிரி எத்தனை இடங்களில் ஹெல்த் சென்டர்கள் ஏற்படுத்தாமல் இருக்கிறது என்பதற்கு புள்ளிவிவரம் கொடுக்க முடியுமா ?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The main question relates to only oddanchatram of Madurai district and not to other places.

Oodukoor system (Kanyakumari district)

* 2009 *Q.*—SRI M. WILLIAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the steps taken to terminate the Oodukoor holding in the Kanyakumari district?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : It was thought by the former Travancore-Cochin Government that the conditions which gave rise to and justified the continuance of the Oodukoor system had long since ceased to exist and that its survival would become a great impediment to the agricultural progress and prosperity of a large section of the population of the State. They, therefore, issue a proclamation on 17th June 1947, for an early settlement of the Oodukkoor holdings. The Oodukoor settlement operations had beer introduced in the two taluks of Kalkulam and

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Vilavancode of Kanyakumari district. As the Oodukoor settlement operations have been vitiated from the beginning by certain defects proposals to repeal the proclamation and replace it by a simple law are under the consideration of the Government.

SRI M. WILLIAM : May I know whether subdivisions of the Oodukoor holdings of land have been effected?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : It seems to be a peculiar tenure or lease, where the lease of either the tree or the land is given. The idea is to split it up into plots of ten cents and allot the same to the occupants of the area.

SRI A. NESAMONY : May I know what happened to the awards that have already been passed by the Oodukoor Settlement Officers? Have the properties been demarcated and possession delivered to the respective occupants?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The trouble is no proper demarcation has been done. That is why the whole question has been gone into and necessary steps will be taken to regularise the whole thing.

SRI M. WILLIAM : May I know whether pattas have been issued, as per the awards that have been already passed, to the respective persons?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I want notice as I am not sure of the position.

SRI T. T. DANIEL : Will the Government take steps to issue pattas where awards have already been passed as there will be no difficulty in issuing the pattas and many of the difficulties experienced by the landlords will be solved by the issue of these pattas?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I find that cases pending with the Oodukoor Settlement Officers or in Courts will be transferred to the District Munsif's Court having territorial jurisdiction over the land concerned, and that decisions which have already been made under the Oodukoor Settlement Proclamation shall not be re-opened. That is the information I have, Sir.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : In view of the peculiar nature of the Oodukoor System, and also in view of the fact that it creates lot of trouble to the people concerned, may I know whether the Government will take steps to expedite the settlement of these things not only in the two taluks of Kalkulam and Vilavancode, but also the other taluks of the Kanyakumari district?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, Sir. That is the idea. We too want to solve this complicated question as early as possible.